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Classified By: Acting DCM David D. Pearce for reasons 1.4 (b) and (d).

(C) Poloff delivered reftel demarche to MFA Acting East Africa Office Director Domenico Polloni August 8 and thanked Italy for the substantial assistance of 10 million euro it has already provided to the African Union Stabilization Force in Somalia (AMISOM). Polloni said that Italy supports the AMISOM mission and has discussed the possibility of providing police training for AMISOM contributors. In regard to assistance to the Burundian contingent, Polloni said that if presented with details about Burundi's needs Italy would consider such a request. SPOGLI